

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:** Andrew **Doddington**

**Examiner:** **ONI**, Olubusola

**Application No.:** 10/667,808

**TC/Art Unit:** 2168

**Filed:** September 22, 2003

**Confirmation No.:** 2172

**Title:** System and method for specifying  
application services and distributing them  
across multiple processors using XML

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Madam:

In response to the final Office Action mailed November 21, 2006, Applicant requests continued examination by way of Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith. This Amendment is being filed together with the Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows:

a **Listing of the Claims** begins on page **2**; and

**Remarks** begin on page **5**.